## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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vs.

WILLIAM J. PAGANO

JUDGE MARBLEY

### PLEA AGREEMENT

Plaintiff United States of America and Defendant
WILLIAM J. PAGANO hereby enter into the following Plea Agreement
pursuant to Rule 11(c) of the Federal Rules of Criminal
Procedure:

- 1. Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO will enter a plea of guilty to Count 1 of the Information filed herein which charges him with embezzlement of labor union funds, in violation of 29 U.S.C. §501(c).
- 2. Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO understands that the maximum penalty that may be imposed pursuant to his plea of guilty to Count 1 is a term of imprisonment of 5 years, a fine of \$10,000.00, and 1 year of supervised release.
- 3. Prior to or at the time the defendant is sentenced, the defendant will pay a special assessment of \$100.00 as required in 18 U.S.C. §3013. This assessment shall be paid by the defendant before sentence is imposed and defendant will

furnish a receipt at the time of sentencing. The payments shall be made to the United States District Court, at the Clerk's Office, 85 Marconi Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43215.

4. Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO agrees to testify truthfully and completely concerning all matters pertaining to the Information filed herein and to any and all other embezzlement activities in which he may have been involved or as to which he may have knowledge. Defendant further agrees to provide a complete statement to authorities of the United States concerning such matters prior to the entry of his guilty plea pursuant to this agreement. Defendant agrees to submit to supplemental debriefings on such matters whenever requested by authorities of the United States, whether before or after his plea is entered.

Pursuant to §1B1.8 of the Federal Sentencing

Guidelines, the government agrees that any self-incriminating

information so provided will not be used against the defendant in

determining the applicable guideline range for sentencing, or as

a basis for upward departure from the guideline range.

- 5. The defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO agrees to make restitution to the National Association of Letter Carriers, Branch 78, Columbus, Ohio 43223.
- 6. If such plea of guilty is entered, and not withdrawn, and Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO acts in accordance

with all other terms of this agreement, the United States

Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio agrees not to file

additional charges against Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO based on

his embezzlement charged in the Information or based on other

fraud activities in the Southern District of Ohio occurring prior

to the date of the Information and as to which Defendant gives

testimony or makes statements pursuant to this agreement.

- Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO is aware that, in light of United States v. Booker, 125 S.Ct. 738 (2005), the United States Sentencing Guidelines are advisory and are no longer mandatory. The defendant is aware that the Court has jurisdiction and authority to impose any sentence within the statutory maximum set forth for the offense to which the defendant pleads guilty. The defendant is aware that the Court has not yet determined a sentence. Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO also aware that any estimate of the probable sentencing range under the sentencing guidelines that he may have received from the defendant's counsel, the United States, or the probation office, is a prediction, not a promise, and is not binding on the United States, the probation office, or the Court. The United States makes no promise or representation concerning what sentence the defendant will receive and the defendant cannot withdraw a guilty plea based upon the actual sentence.
  - 8. The parties agree that pursuant to U.S.S.G.

§3E1.1, at the time of his plea, the defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO has accepted responsibility for this offense and that he is entitled to a 2-level reduction in the base offense level under the sentencing guidelines. At the time of sentencing the United States will not object to this same determination provided that defendant's conduct has continued to demonstrate compliance with the terms of U.S.S.G. §3E1.1. The parties further understand that this agreement is not binding on the Court and the final determination concerning the defendant's acceptance of responsibility rests with the Court.

- g. Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO understands that this agreement does not protect him from prosecution for perjury, should he testify untruthfully, or for making false statements, nor does it protect him from prosecution for other crimes or offenses which the United States discovers by independent investigation. Further, should Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO fail to comply fully with the terms and conditions set forth herein, or should he fail to appear as required for sentencing, this agreement is voidable at the election of the government, in which case Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO shall be subject to prosecution as if the agreement had never been made.
- 10. It is agreed that if the Court refuses to accept any provision of this Plea Agreement neither party is bound by any of its provisions, Defendant WILLIAM J. PAGANO may withdraw

his guilty plea, and the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio may proceed with prosecution pursuant to the Information without prejudice.

- 11. By virtue of the defendant pleading guilty to Count 1 of the Information the defendant understands that he is not a prevailing party as defined by 18 U.S.C. §3006A and hereby expressly waives his right to sue the United States.
- 12. No additional promises, agreements, or conditions have been made relative to this matter other than those expressly set forth herein, and none will be made unless in writing and signed by all parties.

July 23, 2007

WILLIAM J. PAGANO

Defendant

ALAN J PFEUFFER

Attorney for Defendant Pagano

GREGORY G. LOCKHART United States Attorney

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### INFORMATION

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

#### COUNT 1

- 1. At all times hereinafter mentioned and within the meaning of Sections 3(i) and 3(j) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, 29 U.S.C. §402(i) and §402(j), hereinafter referred to as the Act:
- (a) National Association of Letter Carriers, "NALC", Branch 78, is a labor organization representing employees in an industry affecting interstate commerce in Columbus, Ohio.
- (b) At all times relevant herein, the defendant, WILLIAM J. PAGANO, was the Secretary-Treasurer, National Association of Letter Carriers, Branch 78, and as such was an officer and an employee of a labor organization within the meaning of sections 3(f) and 3(n) of the Act [29 U.S.C. §§402(f) and (n)].
  - 2. From on or about February 25, 2000, to on or about

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December 5, 2006, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, WILLIAM J. PAGANO, while an officer, that is, Secretary-Treasurer, National Association of Letter Carriers, Branch 78, a labor organization in an industry affecting commerce, did willfully and knowingly embezzle and convert to his own use the moneys and funds of said labor organization in the approximate amount of \$66,759.18

In violation of 29 U.S.C. §501(c).

GREGORY G. LOCKHART UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

GARY L. SPARTIS

DEPUTY CRIMINAL CHIEF

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